GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2954
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RE-NAMING OF A TRAIN BETWEEN HUBLI AND BANGALORE
Joshi Shri Pralhad Venkatesh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have received any specific appeals from the public of Hubli- Dharwad to name one of the express trains or passengers trains running between Hubli-Bangalore to be named after the noted Saint Shri Shiddaroodha; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Railway thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): As per extant policy, trains are not named after personalities, deities or with religious connotation. Hence, the name Saint Sri Shiddaroodha can not be considered.